38-1 HARTFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Hartford Public Library is to promote and support literacy and learning, to provide free and open access to information and ideas, and to help people participate in our democratic society.

New and creative service initiatives at the Hartford Public Library are direct responses to understanding the community and what it needs. In recognition of its innovative services and community partnerships the Institute of Museum and Library Services conferred the 2002 National Library Service Award to the Hartford Public Library.

The library offers programs for parenting, literacy and language development; programs for technical literacy and competency; and programs for entrepreneurs and small business owners.

The American Place helps people achieve their goals for secure immigration, citizenship and literacy.

Family Place supports the development of reading readiness and fosters a love for reading.

Hartford is Home provides services in support of homeownership.

24/7 Reference ensures online library assistance 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. And Homework Help Online provides free online tutoring in English and Spanish. The Library's online services are supported by Neighborhood Technology Centers that guarantee residents Internet access with extended hours at four sites.

The Library also provides a cultural and artistic forum that reflects the city's diverse and vibrant community. Support from the National Endowment for the Humanities established Telling Passages; an ongoing series of programs and events that share the stories wisdom and history of the people of Hartford.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

The 2004-2005 Adopted Budget is \$5,015,670. This reflects an increase of \$150,000 from the 2003-2004 Adopted Budget. The indirect appropriation for the Hartford Public Library is 1,202,488.

Library General Fund	Library Other Funds	Department Total						
FTE:	FTE: 29.1	FTE: 137.5	Fringe Benefits Cost: \$ 1,713,367	Revenue:	Other Funds: \$ 1,268,00			

DEPARTMENT GENERAL FUND BUDGET SUMMARY

RESPONSIBILITY CENTER	FY 02-03	FY 03-04	FY 03-04	FY 04-05	FY 05-06
	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>ADOPTED</u>	REVISED	<u>ADOPTED</u>	FORECAST
721A City's Contribution to the Library	5,295,190	4,865,670	5,511,670	4,955,670	5,054,783
721A Literacy Council	0	0	0	60,000	60,000
General Fund Total	5,295,190	4,865,670	5,511,670	5,015,670	5,114,783